तदनुसार, जनवरी, 1998 में रबी मौसम 1997-98 के दौरान गेहूं उत्पादन स्थिति की समीक्षा करने के बाद प्रारम्भ में सरकार ने मूल्यों पर नियंत्रण रखने हेतु पर्याप्त रिजर्व बनाने के लिए एक मिलियन टन तक गेहूं आयात करने का निर्णय लिया था। बाद में, फरवरी, 1998 में अतिरिक्त एक मिलियन टन गेहूं का आयात करने का निर्णय लिया था जिससे 1998-99 के दौरान आयात की जाने वाली कुल मात्रा 2 मिलियन टन हो गई। दिए गए प्राधिकार के अनुसार राज्य व्यापार निगम ने आस्ट्रेलियाई से 15 लाख टन गेहूं का आयात करने के ठेके किए हैं।

(ख) और (ग) जी, हां। सरकार को गेहूं आयात के बारे में कुछ शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई हैं और इस सारे प्रकरण की केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो के माध्यम से जांच कराने की मांग भी प्राप्त हुई है।

(घ) यह मामला सरकार के विचाराधीन है।

Revision of pay scales in Super Bazar

2647. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether pay scales of employees of Super Bazar have not been revised following the recommendations of the Fifth Pay Commission;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether technical and non-technical staff in Super Bazar are getting the same pay scales in contravention of recommendations of Pay Commission;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) by when Government propose to implement the recommendations of the Pay Commission regarding new pay scales in Super Bazar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYAPAL SINGH YADAV): (a) to (c) The employees of the Super Bazar, Delhi are not covered under the recommendations of the Fifth Pay Commission as the Super Bazar is a Cooperative Society and not a Central Govt. office. As such the question of implementation of Fifth Pay Commission recommendations for the employees of the Super Bazar Delhi does not arise.

Pending Cases for Disposal in NCDRC

2648. DR. B.B. DUTTA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases pending for disposal in the National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (NCDRC) State-wise;

(b) whether Government propose to increase the benches of the NCDRC; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS: (SHRI SATYAPAL SINGH YADAV): (a) The State-wise number of cases pending for disposal in the National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (NCDRC) is given in the Statement (See below).

(b) and (c) A proposal has been made to constitute benches in the NCDRC. Views of concerned Ministries/Departments have been invited.

Statement

Number of cases pending for disposal in the National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission as on 1-6-1998

State/UT	Number of cases
Andhra Pradesh	312
Arunachal pradesh	02
Assam	35
Bihar	93
Goa	48
Gujarat	266
Haryana	397
Himachal Pradesh	183
Karnataka	312
Kerala	557
Madhya Pradesh	138
Meghalaya	08
Maharashtra	768
Mizoram	0
Manipur	03
Orissa	164
Punjab	204
Rajasthan	269
Sikkim	0
Tamil Nadu	602

State/UT	Number of cases
Tripura	09
Uttar Pradesh	307
Chandigarh (UT)	266
Delhi	556
Pondicherry	32
Lakshadweep	0
West Bengal	273
Nagaland	02
Jammu & Kashmir	03
TOTAL	5809

Decontrol of Sugar

2649. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a high powered committee on the sugar industry has recommended complete decontrol of the sugar price and also discontinuation of supply through PDS;

(b) if so, whether the price of sugar depends upon production of sguar and decontrolling price of sugar will benefit the sugar producing companies;

(c) if so, the facts thereof; and

(d) whether Government propose to bring down the price of sugar and if so, efforts made in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS: (SHRI SATYA PAL SINGH YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The recommendations of the Committee are under examination in the Government.

Target Date for Providing Health for All

2650. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have fixed any target-date for providing health for all in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the efforts made by Government to achieve the target; and

(d) the details of the strategy being adopted by Government therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI): (a) to (d) 'Health for All by 2000 A.D.' is the overall aim of the National Health Policy through the universal provision of comprehensive primary health care services. To achieve this goal a comprehensive network of rural health infra-structure comprising 136339 Sub-centres, 22010 Primary Health Centres, 2622 Community Health Centres has been established throughout the country. External assistance has been mobilised by the Central Govt. for supporting National programmes for control of diseases such as AIDS, Malaria, T.B., Leprosy and Blindness.

Secondary health facilities are also being upgraded in selected States with World Bank assistance.

Development of Indian System of Medicine and Homoeopathy is being encouraged to widen the network of health services available to the people. A comprehensive project for reproductive and child health caters to the special requirements of women and children.

Non-implementation of DOTS to Cure T.B.

2651. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is one of the countries which will not meet the W.H.O. deadline of 2000 AD for universal implementation of Directly Observed Treatment Short-Course to cure T.B. with an 85 to 90% cure rate as per recent report published by W.H.O.;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for non-implementation of DOTS; and

(c) how much assistance has since been received from W.H.O. in this regard